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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 15th-November, through Sunday, 22nd-November there were 220 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FK, FK/c, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, JA, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9X, VP2M, VP2V, VP6, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZL, ZP, ZS

*** PLEASE NOTE:** The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3V, TUNISIA (Update)

Just a reminder/update that a German team will operate from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" (3V8SS) in Sousse, using the special callsign 3V3S between November 23rd and December 2nd. Operators mentioned are: Andy/DJ7IK, Jan/DJ8NK, Guenter/DJ9CB,

Andreas/DL9USA and Lars/DF1LON. Also, operators Halim and Ashraf (from the 3V8SS station) will join the German team. The team will set up and use a spiderbeam and verticals antennas. All antennas will be donated to the 3V8SS station. Look for them to also participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Single/Low-Power entry. QSL via DL9USA. A Web page will be active soon at:

http://www.3V3S.tk

5P15, DENMARK (Special Event/IOTA)

Look for special event station 5P15COP from Zealand Island (**EU-029**) to be active between December 7-18th. Activity is taking place during the big United Nations "Copenhagen Climate Change Conference"

http://www.cop15.dk

Operators would like to "invite all radio amateurs worldwide to show their concern and care about the environment and climate, by contacting this special event station." Operations will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via OZ5BAL, direct or by the Bureau. For more details about the project, QSL card and awards available, please visit:

http://at www.5p15cop.dk

A2, BOTSWANA

Just a reminder that Mike, K9NW, will be active as A25NW between November 23rd and December 1st. Activity will include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th). QSL via his home callsign **(QRZ.com)**.

A7, QATAR

Operators Ali/A71BX, Juma/A71EM and David/K5GN will be active as A73A during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Op/ All-Bands/Single-Transmitter entry. Operations will be from A71BX's QTH. QSL via EA7FTR.

AH2, GUAM

Members of the Guam Contest Club will be active as AH2R from Tumon (**OC-026**, USI GU003S, WLOTA L-0064) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are: Toshinobu/JI3ERV, Mikiawa/JR7OMD, Kazunori/JK3GAD, and Nozomu/JE8KKX. QSL via JH7QXJ.

C4, CYPRUS

Marios, 5B4WN, will be active as C4W during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL is via the LoTW. QSLs via the Bureau are also available via the "self-QSL" button on:

http://www.5b4wn.com

CO/CM, CUBA

Look for the following Cuban stations to be active in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th):

CO8LY - Operator Eduardo as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/Low-Power. QSL via EA7ADH.

CM8CAD - Operator Carlos as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/Low-Power. QSL via info **(QRZ.com)**.
CO8TW - Operator Juan as a Single-Op/Single-Band (160m)/Low-Power. QSL via HB9SVT.

CN, MOROCCO

Stefano, IK2QEI, will be active as CN3A from Safi during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. He states that he will possibly be a "SOAB" if the new 80m system is ready for the contest. QSL via LoTW or via I2WIJ.

CQ MAGAZINE'S "DIAMOND JUBILEE WAZ AWARD" (#002 issued)

Congratulations to James "Scotty" Scott, WK3N, of Hartstown, PA, for receiving the 2nd 75th anniversary limited-term "Diamond Jubilee WAZ" award. He submitted valid and proper confirmations of contacts with each of the 40 CQ WAZ zones to earn this special certificate. For complete details on the "Diamond Jubilee WAZ Award ", check out CQ's October 2009 issue, or visit the CQ Web site at:

http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com

D6, COMOROS

Reports indicate that Serge, F6AML, who was expected to be active as D68F this past week, had to cancel his operation due to the political situation in D6-land. It was also reported that Serge apparently had all of his equipment confiscated and has returned to France.

DU, PHILIPPINES

By the time you read this, Gerard, F2JD, who was active as DU1/G0SHN will be back in France (around November 20th). OPDX was told that Gerarde was not very active while in Manilla (around 300 QSOs) due to a high noise level. He is expected to be back in the Philippines sometime in February and plans to get another antenna for his multiple activities while he travels the neighboring islands. His log is available at:

http://LesNouvellesDX.fr/voirlogs.php

EY, TAJIKISTAN

Nodir, EY8MM, from Dushanbe, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (160m) entry. However, due to business commitment, Nodir will only be active during the first 24 hours of the contest. QSL K1BV via direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA

Phil, FO8RZ (F5PHW), continues to be active on the bands (include topband). He has announced that he will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via F8BPN, direct, by the bureau, LotW.

FO/A, AUSTRAL ISLANDS

German operators Wulf/DL1AWI, Peter/DL3APO and Mat/DL5XU will be active as FO/homecall from Raivavae Island (**OC-114**, DIFO FO-122, WLOTA L-2581) in the Austral Islands group between January 18th and February 5th. Their focus will be mainly the lower bands 160-30 meters, but will work some higher bands on SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home

callsigns, direct or by the Bureau.

IOTA NEWS

AS-105. Kang, DS2AGH, and a group of operators will be active as 6M0HZ/2 from **Kanghwa Island** during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th). QSL via DS2AGH.

J3, GRENADA (NA-024)

Operators Colin/G3VCQ and Sharon/M3VCQ will once again be active as J38CW and J38SW from Beru between March 11-25th. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. All QSLs are via G3VCQ, direct or by the bureau.

J6, ST. LUCIA

Bill, K9HZ, will once again be active as J68HZ from Labrelotte Bay, Castries, St. Lucia (NA-108, WLOTA L-1336) between now and December 5th. Activity will be on 80/40/20 meters using CW and SSB. Suggested frequencies are:
CW - 3550, 7050 and 14050 kHz
SSB - 3770, 7155 and 14155 kHz
He also mentions to watch 40 meters between 2000-2400z daily. Operations from other local islands are possible. QSL via his home callsign.

J6, ST. LUCIA

Scott, NE1RD, will be active as J6/homecall between February 2-10th (2010). Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

J6, ST. LUCIA

Members of the "Buddies in the Caribbean" DXpedition group which specializes in 100 watt or less low power radios and the Buddipole portable antenna system is off again to a new DXpedition site on February 2-11th, 2010. This is an annual effort to demonstrate "ultra- lite" DXpeditioning into magnificent "vista" locations, operate a field portable battery-only radio with backpackable, lightweight antennas and most of all "have fun!"

The nine operators from eight states will have fixed operations from a cliff-top villa and portable operations from various points on the island using CW, SSB, and the Digital modes. Operators mentioned are: Budd/W3FF, Chris/W6HFP, Scott/NE1RD, Dan/WZ1P, Steve/WG0AT, Mike/KC4VG, Guy/N7UN, Paul/KB9AVO and Wey/K8EAB. Licensing is not yet complete, but each operator is expected to receive their own callsign. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or mail to operator's home callsign (SASE required). For more details, see:

http://sites.google.com/site/caribbeanbuddies/home
http://caribbeanbuddies.blogspot.com/

J8, ST. VINCENT

George, K2CM, will be active from the **Island of Bequia**, in The Grenadines (**NA-025**), between January 8th and February 12th (2010). Callsign was not provided. Activity will be on 20 meters using CW and SSB, and maybe 40 meters CW. QSL by the Bureau or direct (SASE/SAE) to K2CM.

JD1/O, OGASAWARA

OPDX was informed by Harry/JG7PSJ that Makoto/JI5RPT and he will once again be active from Chichijima Island (AS-031) between Sunday, December 27th, and Friday, January 1st (2010). Their callsigns will be JD1BLY (JI5RPT) and JD1BMH(JG7PSJ). Activity will be on all bands 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via the Bureau to the JD1 callsigns or direct to their home callsigns. For more info, visit their Web pages at:

http://www.ji5rpt.com/jd1
http://sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For November 23-22nd)

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Nov  23    AN          SOLAR REFERENCE
Nov  24    AN          ---------------
Nov  25    AN           AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Nov  26    AN           HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Nov  27    AN           LN - Low Normal
Nov  28    AN
Nov  29    AN          GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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                        QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
                                0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
                    UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
                                7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less
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MJ0, JERSEY

Mat, F5SHQ, will be active as MJ0ASP during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL via F5SHQ.

NP4, PUERTO RICO

Felipe, NP4Z, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via WC4E.
PLEASE NOTE: He may also use KP3Z as the callsign.

OFFICERS FOR 2009-2010

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The following persons have been elected to
committee the Oceania Amateur Radio DX Group Inc. for 2009/2010:
  President           : Bill Horner/VK4FW
  Vice President      : John Mcrae/VK5PO
  Secretary/Treasurer : Eric Fittock/VK4NEF
  Directors           : Elvira Simoncini/IV3FSG
                        Mill Reiff/LX1CC
                        Chris Chapman/VK3QB
                        Eddie DeYoung/VK4AN
  Web Master          : John Mcrae/VK5PO
  QSL Manager         : Bill Horner/VK4FW
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PB500, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event)

Look for special event station PB500GT to be active between November 28th and December

13th. Activity is to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the "GREAT TOWER of BREDA" (in Dutch Grote Toren). Operators will operate at a height of 65m from the Great Toren. This Great Tower is located in the middle of the city. Operations will be on 80/40/20/2 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL Manager is Willem, PA1WLB. For more details about the tower, see:

http://www.torenbreda.nl

Also, look under PB500GT on **(QRZ.com)**.

QSL INFO AND NEWS

GA2MP QSL/LOG STATUS. QSL Manager Steve, N3SL, reports: "The special event callsign, GA2MP, will be retired on November 30th. Current logs are in LoTW as of November 19th. QSLs are on order but will not be in-hand before the December 31st cutoff for DXCC. If anyone needs a card for their 2009 DXCC submission, N3SL can fill your request using a GS2MP card. Simply indicate that with your QSL. Those who already have sent an SASE, please E-mail N3SL at **n3sl@arrl.net** with a request to confirm using the GS2MP card. All others will be answered when the new cards arrive."

NEW QSL ROUTE FOR ZW5UN AND PT5UN. Irv, K3IRV, informs that he is now the QSL Manager for both ZW5UN and PT5UN. The QSL Manager was Oms, PP5EG. Since Irv was the QSL Manager for PP5EG, he talked to Oms and now he will also have the logs and cards for those two callsigns.

QSLS VIA LOTW: 7Q7AA, D2BB, PY1ZBA and S04R

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5H1EE, 5V7SE, 8R1DB, 8R1TO, 9G5ZZ, 9M6/JJ2CJB, 9Y4D, A61BK, A73A, BD9TD, C31CT, DX1J, EA9LZ, EK7DX, FK8GM, FO/G3BJ, FS/K1XM, GP0STH, J28JA, TK9X, VK9LA, WP3C, YI1RZ, ZK2NX and ZL7/N7OU

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3X5A, 5J0A, 5L2MS, 7Q7CE, 8R1XR, 9Y4W, FJ/DJ2VO, J5UAP, and V73PX

S2, BANGLADESH (IOTA DXpedition)

Operators Tutul/S21RC, Manjurul/S21AM, Sohel/S21S and Aminul/S21D are preparing a DXpedition in February 2010 to **St. Martin's Island (AS-127)** located in Chittagong Region Group. Dates mentioned are February 21-25th. QSL Manager will be EB7DX. More details will be forthcoming.

ST, SUDAN

Robert, S53R, will be active as ST2KSS from Khartoum during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via ST2M or by his instructions.

ST26, SUDAN

Look for the special callsign ST26ASC to be used between January 2228th (2010). This activity coincides with the 26th Arab Scouts Conference from Khartoum, Sudan. No other details were provided. QSL Manager will be ST2M.

TF, ICELAND (On the Birds!)

Ari, TF3ARI, has been worked on AO-51! Ari first appeared on AO-51 on October 24th, using a TS2000 and just a vertical antenna. John, K8YSE, reports that he has E-mailed Ari and learned he has now installed a UHF preamp (so he can hear better). Since North America is always near the horizon for him, his vertical antenna and preamp work well (Not many trees in Iceland!). Watch for Ari on early morning weekend passes on AO-51. John states that Ari will be on again during most Sunday mornings.

TI5, COSTA RICA

Phil, N0KE, will be active as TI5/N0KE starting November 25th. QSL via his home callsign. He also plans to be active as TI5N during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as Single-Band (15m) entry. QSL via W3HNK or LoTW.

TJ, CAMEROON

Lionel, F5PSA, currently active as TJ3SL, will be here until around December 15th. His activity has been sporadic, but he is trying to be active daily, propagation permitting. Operations have been mainly 20 and 17 meters usually between 0930-1700z. QSL via F5PSA.

TM2, FRANCE

Look for TM2S to be used in the CQWW DX CW (October 28-29th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via F5PED. Operators mentioned are: Matt/ F5PED, Dany/F5CW, Bruno/F5AGB, Michel/F5IN, Emmanuel/F5NCU, Maurice/F5NQL, Serge/F6DZS and possibly Breton/F5QF.

TO4/FG, GUADELOUPE

Serge, F6AUS, will continue be active as FG/F6AUS until Match (2010). Look for him to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as TO4D. He plans to be active on 160-6 meters. Over the past weekend Serge was on 80/40/30 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign.

TO5, MARTINIQUE (NA-107)

Al, F5VHJ, will be active as TO5A during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 6-7th, 2010) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via F5VHJ, direct or by the Bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW.

TX3, CHESTERFIELD ISLAND

Operators George/AA7JV and Tomi/HA7RY continue to be active as TX3A until December 6th. As of print time, their log shows just under 27k QSOs. Activity has be on all HF bands but with an emphasis on the lower bands. Modes used have been on CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via HA7RY. For more detailed information and updates, visit their Web page at:

http://www.TX3A.com

V3, BELIZE

Alex, KU1CW, will be active as V31CW between November 23rd and December 2nd. His wife Natasha, KD0AKI, will also be active as V31YL. Alex is also expected to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to KU1CW.

V3, BELIZE

Wil, PA0WWV, will be active as V31WV from Sarteneja (northern Belize) between now and December 20th. Activity will be on CW and SSB using a FT1000mp MarkV w/amp at 750 watts. His antenna is a 30 ft. vertical close to the beach. QSL direct only with 2 USDs plus SAE (NO IRCs).

VP2M, MONTSERRAT

Mike, W1USN, will once again be active as VP2MPR between February 28th and March 13th (2010). Mike will work mainly SSB and PSK31. Bob, AA1M, will also return to Montserrat and will operate mostly CW as VP2MPL between March 6-11th. QSL both operators via their home callsigns.

VP9, BERMUDA (Update)

Bob, KE0UI, will be active from here between November 25th and December 1st, and will operate as VP9I in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via N1HRA. For details about the station and QSL route, visit:

http://vp9ge.com/vp9i.htm

Bob will operate as VP9/KE0UI before and after the contest on 160-10 meters with an emphasis on the 30/17/12 meter bands. QSL VP9/KE0UI via his home callsign.

VU, INDIA (News)

OPDX was informed by Prasad, VU2PTT, that Gopal Madhavan, VU2GMN, who is the President of ARSI - the IARU recognized national organization of India, is reporting he spoke with the "Wireless Planning & Coordination Wing (WPC), India's Ministry of Communications and Inform- ation Technology Department of Telecommunications, and they have confirmed that the extra bandwidth (on 40m) has been officially released to VU radio amateurs based on the petitions given by ARSI on April 15, 2009, soon after the band was to be released as per agreement in WRC2003. VU hams can now officially use that extra bandwidth. Gopal also mentioned, "They have also confirmed that the other requests made by ARSI regarding 10 MHz and 50 MHz are also under consideration, so please wait for further news."

VU2, INDIA

Prasad, VU2PTT, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry (or possibly a Single-Op/Single-Band [80m] entry). Entry depends on whether his beam will get fixed in time for the contest, or else he will do a full SOSB 80m running 400W to Inverted-L. QSL via the LoTW or direct using the info on **(QRZ.com)**.

XU7, CAMBODIA (Update)

Last week we mentioned that Peter, NO2R, will once again be active as XU7ACY from Sihanouk Ville during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Lower-Power entry. He informs OPDX that he will be there for another year or more. Look for him to be active on all bands using CW and SSB. QSL via W2EN.

** IMPORTANT NOTICE/REMINDER **

The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number.
Contributors can now send/fax their DX information to the following number:
1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR:
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please send mail to me via " **kb8nw@arrl.net** "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

PLEASE NOTICE (as of February 12, 2007), NEW ADDRESS CHANGES FOR THE OPDX INTERNET HELP/SUBSCRIBE/UNSUBSCRIBE REQUEST:

Help: opdx-request@barf80.org Subject:help
Subscribe: opdx-request@barf80.org Subject:subscribe
Unsubscribe: opdx-request@barf80.org Subject:unsubscribe

OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME (provided by John, K8YSE (k8yse@papays.com):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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